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K-12 EDUCATION

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- Appropriated an additional \$5.2 billion (10.3 percent) in Proposition 98 funding for K-12 education and community colleges above the enacted 2005-06 budget. This brings total Proposition 98 funding to \$55.1 billion in 2006-07.
- Appropriated \$2.8 billion in one-time Proposition 98 funds in 2006-07 for K-12 education and community colleges, reflecting a \$2.3 billion increase in 2005-06 Proposition 98 funding resulting from significant new revenues, and other one-time funds including \$283 million from prior year settle-up payments and \$248 from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account.
- Of the \$2.8 billion in one-time funds in 2006-07, \$2.5 billion is provided for K-12 education for the following major programs:
 - \$927.0 million to reimburse school districts and county offices of education for outstanding, prior year education mandate claims. This includes \$650.1 million for 2005-06 settle-up payments and \$258.2 million for settle-up payments in prior years. (The budget provides an additional \$18.7 million in one-time funds from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account for prior-year K-12 mandates.)
 - \$533.5 million billion for Discretionary Block Grants. Of this amount, \$400.1 million (75 percent) is for school sites, including State Special Schools and charter schools, for a variety of purposes to be determined by school site councils, including but not limited to, instructional materials, classroom and lab supplies, school and classroom library materials, education technology, deferred maintenance, professional development and other efforts to close the achievement gap. The remaining \$133.4 million (25 percent) is for block grants to school districts that can be used for the school-site purposes mentioned above, as well as, home-to-school transportation and activities to address outstanding fiscal obligations. Funding for school site and district grants will be based upon K-12 enrollment and adult education and regional occupational center/program average daily attendance.
 - \$500 million to school districts, county offices of education and charter schools for a block grant to districts for purchase of arts, music and physical education supplies and equipment. Funding will be allocated on the basis of student average daily attendance (ADA) with minimum school site grants of \$2,500.
 - \$137 million from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account for emergency facility repairs for schools in the lowest three deciles of the Academic Performance Index (API), pursuant to statute implementing the Williams settlement agreement.

- \$100 million for a block grant to school districts, county offices of education and charter schools for purchase of instructional materials, school and classroom library materials and education technology for students in grades K-12. Funding will be allocated on the basis of student enrollment.
- \$50 million to school districts for teacher recruitment and retention grants for schools ranked in the lowest three deciles of the Academic Performance Index (API). Districts will receive \$50 for each student attending these schools.
- \$50 million to the Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund for renovation of existing facilities or purchase of new relocatable child care facilities. These one-time funds are tied to \$50 million in ongoing funds provided in the budget for expansion of the State Preschool Program, pursuant to legislation.
- \$40 million for grants to school districts, county offices of education charter schools, regional occupational centers and programs, and adult education providers that offer career technical education for purchase of equipment and supplies, and minor facility reconfigurations for career technical education courses. Funding will be allocated based upon the number of students in grades 7-12 enrolled in career technical education courses. Of this amount, \$2.5 million is set-aside tied for an allied health professions preparation program.
- \$30 million for local educational agencies for supplemental instructional materials designed to assist K-12 students who are English learners. Funds may only be used in addition to standards-aligned materials adopted by the State Board. Funding will be allocated to LEAs at a rate of \$25 per K-12 English learner student.
- \$30 million in funding from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account for payment of annual mandate claims beyond the \$38,000 appropriated by Item 6110-295-000.
- \$20 million for a multi-year research pilot program to identify best practices for improving the academic achievement and English language development of students who are English learners, pursuant to legislation.
- \$15 million to school districts and charter schools to restore funding to an existing parent/teacher involvement grant program.
- \$15 million from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account for purchase of school garden supplies and equipment. The Department of Education will appropriate \$500 for each school that applies for grant funding. Remaining funds shall be allocated on a per pupil basis.
- \$11.5 million in new funds for local education agencies to prepare for transition to the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) in 2008. Of this total, the following amounts are available: \$9.5 million in local assistance grants to school districts, county offices of education and charter schools for a less intensive version of California School Information System (CSIS) program; \$1.5 million in associated state level

- CSIS activities; and \$533,000 for related CSIS equipment (hardware and software) purchases.
- \$10.5 million from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account to fully fund 2005-06 revenue limit adjustments for unified school districts pursuant to Chapter 355, Statutes of 2005.
 - \$10 million to school districts to reimburse districts for their costs of developing fiscal solvency plans for addressing long-term unfunded liabilities related to retiree health benefits. County offices of education may apply for funding for reviewing district plans.
 - \$10 million to fund the full costs of a new cohort of Healthy Start grants to school districts and charter schools for start-up of comprehensive, integrated health and social service programs on or near school sites. Funding may be expended over a seven year period.
 - \$9.6 million from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account to fully fund all participating beginning teachers in the BTSA program in 2005-06.
 - \$9 million to continue funding the Charter School Facilities Grant Program that provides funding charter schools in economically disadvantaged areas to offset rental or lease costs.
 - \$5.5 million to local educational agencies for purchase of individual study workbooks for students who have failed the California High School Exit Exam.
 - \$5 million to fund the full costs of a new cohort of grantees under the School-Based Early Mental Health Intervention and Prevention Services Matching Grant Program.
 - \$4 million for support of the K-12 High Speed Network. The budget provides a total of \$15.6 million for support of this network.
 - \$3 million in funding from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account to establish state-level teacher recruitment and retention personnel teams to improve school district recruitment and retention, pursuant to legislation.
 - \$3 million in grants for school districts, county offices of education and charter schools for start-up of school breakfast programs.
 - \$1.8 million for a new pilot program to increase the number of qualified high school math teachers and improve the capacity of existing high school math teachers.
 - \$1.2 million from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account to provide professional development to increase the effective integration of standards-aligned instructional materials in reading and math, and supplemental materials, to assist English learners. Priority will be given to teachers of English learners. Funding will be allocated to LEAs on the basis of \$2,500 per participating teacher.
 - \$1.0 million from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account for the Principal Training program.
 - Approved \$2.6 billion in cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) for K-12 education programs, which provides a 5.92 percent COLA increase. The COLA rate grew to 5.92 percent at May Revise from the 5.18 percent proposed in the Governor's January Budget.

- Provides a total of \$112 million for K-12 enrollment growth increases. The Governor's May Revision estimated negative attendance growth of -0.26 percent, however enrollment growth is budgeted at zero percent in 2006-07 for most K-12 programs, specifically those that rely on general enrollment factors. Positive enrollment growth is provided for other K-12 programs that utilize specialized population factors.
- Approved \$308.6 million to eliminate outstanding revenue limit deficit obligations for school districts and county offices of education in 2006-07. Deficit factors were applied as a result of revenue limit reductions and foregone cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) in 2003-04. This funding fully restores revenue limits to where they would have been without these reductions.
- Approved \$350 million for equalization of school district revenue limits in 2006-07 using a formula in current law, as specified in the education budget trailer bill (AB 1802). Revenue limits provide general purpose funding for schools.
- Approved \$350 million to alter and expand funding for the state Economic Impact Aid program. This program provides state funding to school districts to assist economically disadvantaged students and students who are English learners. The education budget trailer bill (AB 1802) changes, updates and simplifies the formula for distributing funds through the Economic Impact Aid program. Specifically, the new formula:
 - a. Changes the measurement of economically disadvantaged from CalWorks participant counts to census-based counts used for the federal Title I program.
 - b. Calculates per pupil funding rates by dividing a district's total EIA funding by its Title I and English learner student data counts and holds districts harmless from any loss of per pupil funding in the future.
 - c. Establishes equal funding weights for economically disadvantaged student and English learner student counts.
 - d. Provides a concentration factor for districts with over 50 percent EIA eligible students.
 - e. Provides a funding adjustment to each district calculated on the basis of \$600 minus its per pupil funding amount.
- Approved \$200 million for a new block grant program – the Supplemental School Counseling Program -- for school districts to provide additional counseling services for students in grades 7-12. Priority for counseling services would be given to students who are at-risk of not passing or who have not passed the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) as well as students who are at-risk of not graduating high school due to insufficient credits. Funds will be allocated to school districts on the basis of average daily attendance for students in grades 7-12. Schools with 100 or fewer students will receive minimum grants of \$5,000; schools with 101 to 200 students will receive \$10,000; and schools with more than 200 students will receive \$30,000.

Statutory provisions for this new program are contained in the education budget trailer bill (AB 1802).

- Eliminated nearly \$133.6 million in ongoing funds proposed by the Administration for 38 education mandates in 2006-07 and retained a total of \$38,000 or \$1,000 for each of these mandates. This action will have the effect of deferring payment for most 2006-07 mandate claims to future years. As previously noted, the budget provided \$30 million in one-time Proposition 98 Reversion Account funds for payment of 2006-07 mandates claims.
- Approved \$105 million in Music and Arts Block Grants for students in grades K-12. Funding may be used for a variety of purposes including hiring additional staff; purchasing new materials, books, supplies and equipment; and providing staff development. Minimum school site grants of \$2,500 for schools with ten or fewer students and \$4,000 for schools with more than 20 students. Funds may be used for hiring additional staff, purchase of new materials, books, supplies and equipment or professional development to support standards-aligned music instruction.
- Rejected the Governor's proposal to redirect approximately \$82 million in one-time carryover funds from several federal programs to a new program to assist schools and districts needing program improvement pursuant to the federal No Child Left Behind Act. The Legislature redirected these carryover funds back to their originating federal programs.
- Provided a total of \$69.6 million – a \$49.6 million increase -- to support supplemental, intensive instruction for 11th and 12th graders in 2006-07 who have not yet passed the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE).
- Approved \$5.1 million to provide for additional administrations of the CAHSEE.
- Provided \$40 million for Physical Education Teacher Incentive grants to K-8 schools to support the hiring of additional credentialed physical education teachers. Grantees will be randomly selected and be equitably distributed based upon school type, size and geographic location.
- Increased state funding for school meals – breakfasts and lunches -- by \$38.7 million - approximately seven cents per meal. *The Governor vetoed and set these funds aside for subsequent legislation indicating that the Legislature did not link this funding to improvements in the quality of school meals.*
- Provided a \$25 million increase to the Math and Reading Professional Development Program to address the needs of teachers of English learners, pursuant to legislation.
- Provided \$20 million in Educational Telecommunications Funds, that together with \$10.5 million in one-time Proposition 98 funds previously identified, will provide \$39.5 million in local assistance funds for a limited-term, less intensive version of the California School Information Services (CSIS) program. This new program – referred to as CSIS-light – will assist districts that have not yet participated in CSIS with establishing the hardware, software and management processes necessary for a smooth transition to the new California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS). Expenditures of these funds requires development of a plan by CSIS that must be approved by the Department of Finance, Office of

the Secretary of Education and State Department of Education, in consultation with the Legislative Analyst's Office.

- Provided \$19.3 million for various programs intended to increase the number of highly qualified teachers in public schools. These programs include:
 - \$11.2 million for a new Certificated Staff Mentoring Program – administered by the Superintendent of Public Instruction – to provide grants to school districts for the purpose of encouraging excellent, experienced teachers to teach in staff priority schools and to assist teacher interns during their induction and first years of teaching, pursuant to legislation.
 - \$6.8 million for the Teacher Intern Program – administered by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing -- to provide school districts and county offices of education that agree to enhance teacher internship programs and address the distribution of beginning teachers, pursuant to legislation.
 - \$1.3 million for the California School Paraprofessional Teacher Training Program – administered by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing -- to fund all eligible participants on the waiting list and increase the per participant rate, pursuant to legislation.
- Allocated \$15.1 million in one-time federal Reading First funds including \$3 million for a new cohort of schools in currently unfunded school districts and \$12.1 million to fund new schools in districts that are already receiving Reading First funds, pursuant to legislation to define significant progress. *The Governor vetoed the \$15.1 million in federal Reading First carryover funds and provisional language that specified that “significant progress” for purposes of determining continued school funding be defined in legislation. The Governor’s veto expresses the view that significant progress should be defined by the State Board of Education and that funding should not be provided for new schools in districts that are not currently receiving funding.*
- Authorized \$15.6 million in expenditures for the K-12 High Speed Network in 2006-07 including \$4.0 million in one-time funds from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account, \$4.6 million from E-Rate and Teleconnect Funds, and \$7.0 million in other excess funds and reserves. Budget bill language was added to implement recommendations from a recent report by the Bureau of State Audits of the K-12 network. Budget control language establishes standards and reporting requirements relating to the audit for K-12 education and public higher education segments. *The Governor vetoed language from Control Section 24.55 that required any assets purchased primarily with state funds be transferred to the state if the Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California (CENIC) no longer manages the California Research and Education Network (CalREN).*
- Allocated nearly \$5.0 million in one-time federal Title II carryover funds to the Department of Education for the following purposes:
 - \$1.2 million for math and reading professional development activities. (This is related to \$1.2 million in one-time funds from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account to expand math and reading professional development for teachers of English learners.)

- \$1.0 million in consultation with the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, for an external evaluation of teacher intern and induction programs, including the university intern program, district intern program, the Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment program.
 - \$938,000 for development of a new Teacher Database System. Of this amount, \$686,000 is available to the Department of Education and \$252,000 is available through an interagency agreement with the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for development of the Teacher Database System and related staffing.
 - \$500,000 for an interagency agreement between the Department of Education and the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to implement the Teaching Performance Assessment, pursuant to legislation.
 - \$500,000 to the Department of Education for the Bilingual Teacher Training Program to provide summer training to teachers who are preparing to take examinations leading to an authorization to teach English learners.
 - \$450,000 to the Department of Education to provide increased compliance monitoring of highly qualified teacher requirements of the federal No Child Left Behind Act.
 - \$200,000 to the Department of Education for an interagency agreement with the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for reviewing and improving measurable standards for special education teacher preparation programs and Education Specialists credentials.
 - \$100,000 to the Department of Education for a professional development math conference for teachers focusing on instructional strategies and content knowledge of algebra.
 - \$75,000 for an interagency agreement between the Department of Education and the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for development of a subject matter language exam template and its application to develop exams in several specific language exams, giving first priority to Filipino, followed by Hmong, Cantonese, Armenian, Khmer, Arabic, and Farsi languages.
- Provided \$4.4 million related to oral health assessments, pursuant to legislation.
 - Continued \$100 million in funding for special education mental health related services proposed by the Governor. This includes \$69 million for AB 3632 services provided by county mental health agencies and \$31 million for pre-referral services for children and youth with exceptional needs.
 - Converted \$50 million in General Funds for special education previously available for CAHSEE interventions to per pupil funding for Special Education Planning Areas (SELPAs).
 - Provided \$1.4 million in Non-98 General Funds for one-time transition costs associated with transfer of the statewide special education due process contract to the Office of Administrative Hearings, State Department of General Services. These funds are available on a one-time basis for reimbursement of additional costs in 2005-06 and cannot be expended until the Department

of Education has submitted an expenditure plan to the Department of Finance that identifies specific workload and costs increases.

- Provided a \$320,000 General Fund (Non-98) augmentation for special education dispute resolution services beginning in 2006-07 to cover increased compensation for Administrative Law Judges. *The Governor vetoed this augmentation indicating that funding is already included in the budget for employee compensation adjustments.*
- Increased the size of the special education extraordinary cost pool from \$1 million to \$3 million and allowed SELPAs to access these funds for additional students, specifically students with disabilities residing in foster care placements.
- Provided \$301,000 in federal carryover and General Funds for the final year of an interagency agreement between the Department of Education and CSU, San Bernardino to provide monitoring and technical assistance for special education programs for youth with disabilities incarcerated at the Division of Juvenile Justice, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.
- Provided \$300,000 for a study to revise the Special Disabilities Adjustment, which is a special education funding calculation intended to address the high costs of providing services to students with more intensive special education needs. *The Governor vetoed funding for this study indicating that similar a study was funded in recent years that failed to update the adjustment factors.*
- Continued to defer payments of approximately \$1.3 billion in Proposition 98 apportionment programs from one fiscal year to the next. This practice commenced with the 2002-03 budget as a method of meeting the state's budget shortfall without reducing school programs and services.
- Amended Control Section 12.40 relating to categorical funding flexibility to prohibit the transfer of funds out of the Economic Impact Aid program and Foster Youth Services program, but continues to allow the transfer of funding from other categorical programs into these programs.

Trailer Bills

1. **AB 1802 (Committee on Budget). Omnibus Education Budget Trailer Bill.** *Makes numerous statutory changes needed to implement provisions of the 2006-2007 budget package, including, but not limited to, provisions that: appropriate one-time Proposition 98 settle-up funds from prior fiscal years for a number of education programs, such as prior year mandates and discretionary block grants to school sites and school districts; eliminate revenue limit deficit factors to reflect increases in revenue limit funding; appropriate funds and specify the method of equalizing revenue limit funding; provide significant revisions to the funding formula the Economic Impact Aid program; establish a new Middle and High School Counseling program; and revise the programs providing intensive supplemental instruction for 11th and 12th grade students who have not passed the California High School Exit Exam. Chapter 79; Statutes of 2006.*

2. **AB 1811 (Committee on Budget). Budget Bill Amendments.** Amends numerous items in AB 1801 – the Budget Act of 2006-- including many items that relate to K-12 education. These amendments to the Budget Conference Report to reflect final budget agreements between the Legislature and Administration for a number of K-12 education budget items affecting the following education programs: School Counselors, California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE), Economic Impact Aid , Math and Reading Professional Development, California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS), Special Education, K-12 High Speed Network, Community Day Schools, National Board Certification Teacher Incentives, Child Care, Physical Education, Arts and Music, Oral Health Assessments, Education Mandates, and Paraprofessional Teacher Training. **Chapter 48; Statutes of 2006.**

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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- Provided approximately \$26 million to increase the standard reimbursement rate for Title V child care centers from the current rate of \$30.04 per child per day to \$32.89 per child per day.
- Adopted trailer bill language requiring the Department of Education to implement new county-based regional market rates within 90 days upon the enactment of the 2006 Budget.
- "Unfroze" child care income eligibility levels to accurately reflect 75 percent of the current state median income (SMI). Retained family fee schedule whereby fees are assessed on families earning 40 percent of SMI and adds on additional "steps" to the fee schedule to account for families earning higher incomes.
- Provided \$50 million to expand state preschool, contingent upon legislation enacted during the current legislative session.

HIGHER EDUCATION

6120 CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY

- Approved an augmentation of \$14 million for libraries. Of this amount, \$7 million is to compensate libraries for the costs they incur when making interlibrary loans and direct library loans to individuals who do not reside in their service area. The remaining \$7 million is for the Public Library Foundation, which supports basic library operations such as maintaining hours of operation, purchasing library materials, and operating services such as homework assistance and bookmobiles. With this action, the total appropriation level for the Public Library Foundation increases to \$21.4 million.

6440 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

- Approved the Governor's higher education budget augmentation proposals, including:
- \$50.9 million to grow student enrollments by 2.5 percent. With these funds, UC will enroll an additional 5,149 full-time equivalent students at a rate of \$9,901 per full-time equivalent student. While the Legislature designated these funds as supporting a newly revised marginal cost of instruction formula, the Governor vetoed all references to this new formula, leaving parties unclear about how enrollment growth costs will be calculated for 2007-08.

- \$80.5 million to provide a 3 percent cost-of-living-adjustment (COLA);
- Approved \$75 million to avert or "buy out" the proposed 8 percent fee increase for undergraduate students and 10 percent fee increase for graduate students;
- Approved the continuation of \$750,000 for the Governor's Math and Science Teaching initiative, in order to enhance efforts to recruit math and science majors into the teaching profession.
- Restored \$19.3 million to support student academic preparation and outreach programs, including programs to serve transfer students. State funds will be matched with \$12 million of university funds. Governor's January proposal called for all state funding to be eliminated from these programs.
- Restored \$6 million in funding for research related to labor and employment; augmented by \$4 million, the amount of funding available for substance abuse research, and provided \$1 million for research related to obesity and diabetes. The \$1 million provided for obesity and diabetes research was vetoed by the Governor.
- Provided \$963,000 for increased enrollments in master's degree programs in nursing.
- Adopted extensive reporting language related to UC compensation policies and practices.
- Shifted funding for one capital outlay project from lease-revenue bonds to the pending General Obligation bond; approved all other Capital Outlay projects as proposed by the Administration.

6610 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

- Approved the Governor's higher education budget augmentation proposals, including:
- \$61.3 million to grow student enrollments by 2.5 percent. These funds will be used to support an additional 8,490 full-time equivalent students at a rate of \$7,225 per full-time equivalent student. While the Legislature designated these funds as supporting a newly revised marginal cost of instruction formula, the Governor vetoed all references to a new formula, leaving parties unclear about how enrollment growth costs will be calculated for 2007-08.
- \$75.8 million to provide a three percent cost-of-living-adjustment (COLA);
- Approved \$54.4 million to avert or "buy out" the proposed eight percent fee increase for undergraduate students and 10 percent fee increase for graduate students;
- Approved \$1.1 million to continue the Governor's Math and Science Teaching initiative, which enhances efforts to recruit math and science majors into the teaching profession.
- Restored \$7 million GF to backfill reductions to student academic preparation and retention programs, as proposed in the Governor's Budget.
- Provided an additional \$230,000 in support for the Center for California Studies and Capitol Fellow programs. Of this amount, the Governor sustained \$100,000.

- Provided \$4 million to expand nursing program enrollments. Of this amount, \$2 million is available on a one-time basis; \$1.7 million is to support students in accelerated entry-level master's degree programs; and \$371,000 is to support 20 additional baccalaureate degree students in nursing.
- Approved all Capital Outlay projects as proposed by the Administration.

6870 CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

- Approved approximately \$100 million to support 2 percent enrollment growth.
- Re-benchmarked the funding level of enrollments at the community colleges to account for a lower-than-budgeted level of enrollment growth in the current year.
- Reduced student fees from the current level of \$26 per unit to \$20 per unit beginning in the Spring 2007 term, and backfilled the loss of fee revenue by providing \$40 million ongoing funding.
- Provided funding in excess of \$315 million to support a 5.92 percent cost-of-living-adjustment.
- Approved the Governor's Career-Technical Education proposal which provides \$20 million in ongoing funds to better align K-12 and community colleges career and vocational curriculum. Also approved \$40 million in one-time funds for equipment and facility renovations related to career-technical education.
- Provided \$159.4 million for Equalization; funding is sufficient to equalize the funding levels for districts up to the 90th percentile.
- Augmented by \$30 million the amount of funding available for selected "gateway" noncredit courses.
- Denied the Governor's proposal to increase ongoing funding for maintenance and instructional materials.
- Restored \$24 million in prior-year reductions to the matriculation program. Matriculation services include placement, academic counseling, and retention services.
- Approved \$4 million in ongoing mandate costs, as proposed by the Governor in the May Revision.
- Augmented the amount of funding available for the Economic Development program by \$15 million. Of this amount, \$8 million is available to provide training to workers in high growth, high demand employment sectors.
- Approved \$10 million to provide remedial instruction, through non credit education programs, for students failing to pass the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE).

- Restored \$9 million for services to CalWORKs students. Of this amount, \$8 million is to provide state support for work study program wages and \$1 million is to provide staff assistance to this unique student population.
- Augmented by \$9 million the amount of state funding available for part-time faculty office hours and health insurance. These funds were vetoed by the Governor and “set-aside” pending legislation to restore funding for Career Technical Education to the levels he originally proposed in his January budget.
- Augmented by \$2.9 million the amount of funding available to provide retention and attrition reduction services to nursing students.
- Approved a \$1 million augmentation to the Cal-PASS student data sharing system.
- Approved \$100 million in one-time prior-year Proposition 98 "settle up" dollars to provide general purpose block grants to colleges.
- Provided approximately \$94 million in one-time funds for deferred maintenance, hazardous materials abatement, and instructional equipment.
- Provided \$2.5 million in one-time funding for a new nursing faculty recruitment and retention program, to be established pursuant to legislation.
- Allocated \$5 million in one-time funding for professional development which was later vetoed by the Governor. In his veto message, the Governor indicated his willingness to set these funds aside for career-technical education.
- Appropriated \$100,000 to the Amador County Office of Education in order to broadcast community college courses in Amador County.
- Set-aside \$19.7 million in one-time funds to implement a new funding formula for community colleges.
- Set-aside \$30 million to address fiscal solvency issues at the Compton Community College District.
- Continued to defer \$200 million worth of general apportionment expenditures from June 2007 to July of 2007.

7980 CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION

- Approved Governor's proposal to increase the Cal Grant award amount for students attending private colleges and universities from the current annual level of \$8,322 to \$9,708.
- Approved base budget decreases of approximately \$14 million to account for caseload and population changes expected for the Cal Grant entitlement program in both the current year and the upcoming fiscal year.

- Approved the Governor's proposal to fund 100 new National Guard Assumption Program of Loans for Education (APLE) loan assumption warrants.
- Denied the Governor's proposal to set aside 600 APLE loan assumption warrants for the exclusive use of UC and CSU to support students participating in their Math and Science Teacher Initiative. As part of his veto message, the Governor reduced the number of authorized APLE loan assumption warrants by 600 (from 8,000 to 7,400) and set those awards aside pending legislation to allocate the awards based on his original intent.
- Approved the ongoing issuance of 100 new loan assumption warrants for the State Nursing (SN)-APLE program to encourage students to obtain degrees in nursing and then return to the classroom as nursing faculty.
- Approved 40 new loan assumption warrants tied to the development, pursuant to legislation, of a new loan assumption program to encourage individuals to become nurses and practice in state-run facilities.
- Approved 100 new loan assumption warrants for the Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment Program. This program has already been statutorily established, but failed to receive funding or authority to become operational; however these funds and loan assumption authority were subsequently vetoed by the Governor.